

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE
SPECIFICATION

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF A PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

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The foregoing description is only exemplary of the principles of the invention. Many modifications and variations of the present invention are possible in light of the above teachings. The preferred embodiments of this invention have been disclosed, however, so that one of ordinary skill in the art would recognize that certain modifications would come within the scope of this invention. It is, therefore, to be understood that within the scope of the appended claims, the invention may be practiced otherwise than as specially described. For that reason the following claims should be studied to determine the true scope and content of this invention.

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CLAIMS

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--What is claimed is:--

Please replace claims 1-17 as follows:

1. (AMENDED) A cable for connection at a first cable end to a remote cable pull mechanism [means] and for connection at a second cable end to a latch, movement of the first cable end causing movement of the second cable end and in which an intermediate cable pull mechanism [means] is provided between the first and second ends, movement of which causes movement of the second cable end.
2. (AMENDED) The [A] cable as defined in claim 1 in which the intermediate cable pull mechanism [means] is in the form of a cable attachment fixedly attached to the cable.
3. (AMENDED) The [A] cable as defined in claim 2 in which the cable attachment projects on at least two opposing sides of the cable.
4. (AMENDED) The [A] cable as defined in [any preceding] claim 1 which is partially sleeved by sleeving.
5. (AMENDED) The [A] cable as defined in claim 4 which is partially sleeved between the intermediate cable pull mechanism [means] and the first cable end by a first portion of sleeving.
6. (AMENDED) The [A] cable as defined in claim 4 [or 5] which is partially sleeved between the intermediate cable pull mechanism [means] and the second cable end by a second portion of sleeving.

7. (AMENDED) The [A] cable as defined in claim [5 and] 6 in which an end of the first portion of sleeving proximate the intermediate cable pull mechanism [means] abuts a first abutment and an end of the second portion of sleeving proximate the intermediate cable pull mechanism [means] abuts a second abutment in which the first and second abutments are fixed relative to each other.

8. (AMENDED) The [A] cable as defined in claim 7 in which the first and second abutments form part of a housing open on at least one side.

9. (AMENDED) A latch arrangement comprising: [including] a cable for connection at a first cable end to a remote cable pull mechanism and for connection at a second cable end to a latch, movement of the first cable end causing movement of the second cable end and in which an intermediate cable pull mechanism is provided between the first and second ends, movement of which causes movement of the second cable end [as defined in any preceding claim], a latch and a remote cable pull mechanism [means].

10. (AMENDED) The [A] latch arrangement as defined in claim 9 in which the cable is partially sleeved between the intermediate cable pull mechanism and the first cable end by a first portion of sleeving and partially sleeved between the intermediate cable pull mechanism and the second cable end by a second portion of sleeving and [when dependent upon Claim 5 or 6 in which] at least one end of the first or second portion of sleeving proximate the intermediate cable pull means abuts a respective abutment fast with an adjacent structure.

11. (AMENDED) The [A] latch arrangement as defined in claim 9 in which an end of the first portion of sleeving proximate the intermediate cable pull mechanism abuts a first abutment and an end of the second portion of sleeving proximate the intermediate cable pull mechanism abuts a second abutment in which the first and second abutments are fixed relative to each other and [when dependent upon Claim 7 or 8 in which] the first and second abutments are fixed fast with an adjacent structure.

12. (AMENDED) The [A] latch arrangement as defined in claim 10 [or 11] in which the adjacent structure is fixed relative to the latch.

13. (AMENDED) The [A] latch arrangement as defined in claim 10 [or 11 or 12] in which the adjacent structure is fixed relative to the remote cable pull mechanism [means].

14. (AMENDED) The [A] latch arrangement as defined in claim 10 [any one of the claims 10 to 13] in which the latch can move relative to said adjacent structure.

15. (AMENDED) A vehicle comprising: a cable for connection at a first cable end to a remote cable pull mechanism and for connection at a second cable end to a latch, movement of the first cable end causing movement of the second cable end and in which an intermediate cable pull mechanism is provided between the first and second ends, movement of which causes movement of the second cable end, a latch and a remote cable pull mechanism [including a latch arrangement as defined in any one of claims 10 to 14] in which at least one of the intermediate cable pull mechanism and [means or] remote cable pull mechanism [means] is accessible from within a boot compartment of the vehicle.

16. (AMENDED) The [A] vehicle as defined in claim 15 in which the adjacent structure is fixed relative to a boot lid of the vehicle.

17. (AMENDED) The [A] vehicle as defined in claim 15 in which the adjacent structure is fixed relative to the vehicle body.